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NEW DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND SAFETY

Patrick E. J. Titterington will be the new Director of Public Service and Safety for the City of Troy effective January 2, 2007. Mr. Titterington comes from Trenton, Ohio, where his is currently serving as City Manager. He has 19 years of public administration experience. Mr. Titterington received his BA degree in Public Administration in 1987 from Miami University. In 1994, he received his Masters in Business Administration from the University of Cincinnati. Mr. Titterington and his wife Kathy have three daughters.

Mayor Beamish summed up this appointment by saying, "I feel that with this selection we have a new Director who will lead our staff forward as their chief operating officer. I believe Patrick will be a team-builder. He meets our expectations that will enhance effective communications and accountability. Patrick will work for the betterment of our Troy community, setting goals and vision for the future."

Changes to Police Department Lobby

Starting in January of 2007, the Police Department's front doors will be locked at 5:00 p.m. A phone will be installed in the vestibule (area between the front doors and the lobby doors), which will only ring to the 911 Center. If a citizen needs a police officer, he/she can use the phone to have an officer dispatched to the Police Department or to the desired location. This change will result in an additional officer to patrol the streets after 5:00 p.m.

A City Wide Clean-Up

Starting this winter our code enforcement division will be conducting a sweep of Troy, focusing on properties that are in violation of our property maintenance codes. Property owners who find themselves in violation can expect to receive a letter stating the issues that need to be resolved during the winter months. This letter will allow property owners to contact the Planning Department to make

arrangements to bring properties into compliance. Another re-inspection will be conducted in the spring. All properties not in compliance will receive a work-order stating the violation along with a final re-inspection date for compliance. Those who fail to comply with the orders will be turned over to the Miami County court system and could face possible charges.

What We Are Looking For

Below is a list of some of the items that code enforcement will be looking for:

- * Peeling paint on houses and garages
- * Broken windows
- * Holes or openings in the foundation
- * Broken or cracked siding
- * Stairs and porches in disrepair
- * Missing or deteriorated sections of handrails and guardrails
- * Missing address numbers
- * Missing or deteriorated roof shingles
- * Chimneys with missing bricks or open mortar joints
- * Dilapidated garages
- * Rotted or missing boards

- * Trash and debris present on the premises
- * Iunk or abandoned vehicles
- * Vehicles parked in established lawn areas

If you have questions regarding this information, please contact the Planning Department at (937) 339-9481.

Winter Snow Season Updates and Tips

The City's two salt barns are full, and crews are ready for the winter season. The Dye Mill Road facility is closed until early spring.

TIP - Once you have shoveled your snow, make sure you push it into the street to the right side (looking out the driveway to the street) of your driveway. This way, the snow plows will not plow the snow back into your driveway.

TIP - It is helpful to push the snow away from any catch basins so that water can flow easily into the catch basin and not cause flooding or unsafe, icy conditions.

TIP - Clear the snow from any fire hydrants so that in case of a fire, the Fire Department can easily and quickly locate the hydrant closest to their needs.

TIP - If there is a large snow storm, please try and get all vehicles off the streets if possible so that crews can get the snow plowed.

SCULPTURES ON THE SQUARE COMING SOON

Sculptures on the Square will be back in 2007. Twenty-five replica WACO planes painted and/or decorated by local artists, will be on display throughout downtown Troy from the end of May until mid-September.

Individual donors and corporate sponsors are still needed for the event. For more information, please contact the Troy Main Street office at (937) 339-5455.



CITY CALENDAR

DECEMBER, 2006		
4	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.
5	Board of Park Commissioners Meeting	11 a.m.
13	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.
18	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.
19	Board of Park Commissioners Meeting	11 a.m.
21	Recreation Board Meeting at Hobart Arena	9 a.m.
25,26 City Offices Closed for Christmas Holiday		
(Refuse Collection Delayed One Day All Week)		
27	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.
JANUARY, 2007		
1	City Offices Closed for New Years Holidy	
	(Refuse Collection on Schedule All Week)	
2	Board of Park Commissioners Meeting	11 a.m.
2	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.
10	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.
15	City Offices Closed for	
	Dr. Martin Luther King Holiday	
	(Refuse Collection on Schedule All Week)	
16	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.
18	Joint Meeting, Recreation Board &	
2.4	Park Board Meeting at Hobart Arena	9 a.m.
24	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.
FEBRUARY, 2007		
5	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.
6	Board of Park Commissioners Meeting	11 a.m.
14	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.
15	Recreation Board Meeting at Hobart Arena	9 a.m.
19	City Office Closed for Presidents Day Holid	ay
	(Refuse Collection on Schedule All Week)	
20	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.
28	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.
MARCH, 2007		
5	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.
6	Board of Park Commissioners Meeting	11 a.m.
14	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.
15	Recreation Board Meeting at Hobart Arena	9 a.m.
19	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.

NOTE: All meetings are held at Troy City Hall, 100 South Market Street, unless otherwise designated.

Planning Commission Meeting

2006 - 2007 City Council Winter Meeting Dates

Troy City Council meets on the first and third Mondays of every month, unless a Monday holiday requires rescheduling the meeting to Tuesday. All meetings are held at 7 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 100 South Market Street.

The agenda for each meeting is posted on the City's website, www.troyohio.gov, as well as at City Hall. The public is encouraged to attend these meetings with their input. The following schedule is provided as a handy reminder of the City Council meetings planned for this winter.

Monday, December 4 Tuesday, January 2 Monday, February 5 Monday, March 5

Monday, December 18 Tuesday, January 16 Tuesday, February 20 Monday, March 19

3:30 p.m.

PARKING REGULATION REMINDER

Since we are in the winter season, staff wanted to remind citizens that there shall be no parking in metered lots between 3:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. in order for the City's crews to clean, repair, and monitor the lots. This will also be when crews plow the snow from these lots.

Your Tax Dollars at Work

RIDGE/PETERS The contractor for this project is Star Ex, Inc., of Covington, Ohio. Construction activities will begin over the winter months with the major portions of the project beginning in the spring of 2007.

FIRE STATION NO. 2 Construction is going well and nearing completion. The building should be turned over to the City by early March.

SOUTHEAST INFRASTRUCTURE PHASE I Substantial completion of the installation of 1,600 linear feet of 42 inch sanitary sewer and 2,000 linear feet of 12 inch water line occurred on October 24 when both systems were placed into service. This is the first phase of two phases of planned work. The new larger and deeper sewer extends from near the dead-end of E. Dakota St. to the Wastewater Treatment Plant. The 12 inch water line begins a planned loop of the water system from near Floral Ave., west to S. Union St. The second phase of work is planned for 2007 and includes installing a larger and deeper 24-inch sewer from near the dead-end of Dixie Dr., north to the intersection of Race St. and Williams St. and completing the water line loop.

EXTRA HIGH SERVICE BOOSTER STATION The booster station

was placed into service on October 2. This system increases water pressure in the far northwest neighborhoods including Marybill Drive, Corporate Drive,

West Main Street west of Corporate Drive, Westhaven, Kings Chapel, Fox Harbor, and Carriage Crossing. Customers have seen, on average, a 25 psi increase in pressure. In addition, flow from fire hydrants in the area has increased approximately 20% or about 200 gallons per minute. The station is located on Experiment Farm Road.



COMMERCE CENTER BLVD. The roadway is basically complete. The first course of asphalt has been installed; however, the roadway will not open to the public until the spring of 2007 once the second course of asphalt has been applied.

ARCHER DRIVE The City's engineering consultant is completing a design to improve Archer Drive from Peters Road to State Route 55. Construction is scheduled for 2007.

Income Tax Update

The Income Tax Office completed the processing of the 2005 tax returns that were filed by the April 15 deadline. The Office is currently processing those that filed for an extension. The next step is to mail 10-day notices to those that failed to file their returns. Everyone is encouraged to check their records to be sure they filed their municipal income tax return. If you have not filed your 2005 tax return, please contact the Income Tax Office for assistance.

In an effort to reduce costs, the Income Tax Office will not be mailing tax packets to those who used a tax preparer or a computer software program to generate their City of Troy income tax return. Instead, those taxpayers will receive a postcard as a reminder of their tax obligation. All others will continue to receive a tax packet. If you require a tax packet and do not receive one by the end of January, you can obtain one in our lobby at City Hall, which is open 24 hours a day, by contacting the Office at (937) 339-3861, or online at www.troyohio.gov.

Reminder of upcoming deadline: Payment of 70% of your actual tax liability or an amount equal to your previous year's tax liability must be paid by January 31, 2007 to avoid penalty or interest.

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Troy Junior Girls Canteen Dedication

On November 11, 2006, 16 members of the Troy Junior Girls Canteen attended the dedication ceremony of the Ohio Historical Society Marker that recognizes their Canteen operation. The marker was placed in Herrlinger Park, near the original site of the canteen building.

From mid-1943 to March 10, 1946, 40 of Troy's teenage girls, their mothers, and volunteers operated a totally free canteen service for over 600,000 members of the military that came through the nearby Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Station. These volunteers served every member of the military that came through the station, day and night, year round. The Troy Junior Girls Canteen was the only canteen in the United States started by, staffed by, and operated by teenage girls.

The dedication ceremony included a proclamation by Mayor Beamish declaring November 11, 2006 as Junior Girls Canteen Day in Troy. Commendations were also received from local and state representatives and from President Bush. The dedication concluded with a fly-over by two United States Air Force A-10 "Warthogs".

Thanks to Christmas Tree Donors

This year's Christmas tree was donated to the citizens of Troy by Mr. & Mrs. Dave Carter of 2222 Fenner Road. The Colorado Blue Spruce was planted in 1967 and was approximately 42 feet in height (10 feet was cut off prior to placing it on the Square). Thank you very much to the Carter family for donating their tree for all of the citizens of Troy to enjoy during the holiday season.

Thanks goes to Piqua Steel and its employees who help each year in getting the Christmas tree cut down and placed on the Square. Piqua Steel has provided their services to the citizens of Troy free of charge for several decades.

Troy City Beautification Committee

The Committee would like to thank Brian Ferree, Tim Larck, and Daryl Williams for their dedication to making the downtown area sparkle for the holidays. These men start putting up holiday lights in downtown Troy in mid-October and have it completed by Thanksgiving. They string 41,300 lights every year with assistance from the Park Department and the Street and Sewer Maintenance Divisions. They take pride in helping the downtown area look Christmas card perfect for the holidays.

Christmas Tree Disposal

City crews will pick up and dispose of your Christmas tree free of charge. All you need to do is put the tree out where your trash is collected. Crews will begin pickup on December 26 and will continue to mid January. Plastic bags used to limit the amount of needle shedding when removing the tree from your house must be removed before pickup. Also, remember items such as cardboard gift boxes or product packaging and wrapping paper are recyclable. Please place these items in your recycling bin. If you do not have a recycling bin, contact the Central Service & Maintenance Facility at (937) 335-1914.



PUBLIC SKATING

For public ice skating dates and times, visit our website, www.hobartarena.com and click on the public skating tab.

DAYTON BOMBERS VS. CINCINNATI CYCLONES

The Dayton Bombers return to Hobart Arena again this season for more hard hitting hockey action. Bring the family out and enjoy an evening of professional hockey right in your own backyard. The game will be on Thursday, December 28, 2006 at 8:00 p.m. All tickets are \$10.00 and are available at Hobart Arena or by phone at (937) 339-2911.

2007 TROY AQUATIC PARK SEASON PASSES

Season passes are on sale now. Purchase your pass thru December 30 and receive \$10.00 worth of Boogie Board Café bucks, a lanyard for each pass member, and a chance to be entered into a drawing to win a free pool party for up to 100 guests on June 3, 2007. Gift certificates are also available! Call the Recreation Department at (937) 339-5145 for more information.

 FAMILY OF 5 OR LESS
 \$190.00

 Additional members
 \$ 10.00 each

 Grandparent pass
 \$ 40.00 each

 ADULT
 \$100.00

 STUDENT OR SENIOR (60+)
 \$ 76.00

MIAMI VALLEY SILVERBACKS TICKETS AVAILABLE

The Miami Valley Silverbacks season opens on Friday, March 30 at 7:30 p.m. Single game tickets will be available beginning Monday, February 12, 2007. Season tickets are now available by calling the Silverbacks' office at (937) 718-7044.

March 24 @ Port Huron 7:00 p.m. March 30 vs. Chicago 7:30 p.m. April 7 is a BYE April 14 vs. Marion 7:00 p.m. April 21 vs. Springfield 7:00 p.m. April 28 @ Marion 7:00 p.m. May 4 vs. Port Huron 7:30 p.m. May 11 vs. Kalamazoo 7:30 p.m. 18 vs. Steubenville 7:30 p.m. May 25 @ Chicago 7:30 p.m. 2 @ Kalamazoo 7:00 p.m. 9 @ Springfield 7:00 p.m. June 16 @ Chesapeake 7:00 p.m. June 23 is a BYE

Veterans Memorial Paver Bricks Available for Purchase

The Veterans Memorial in Riverside Cemetery was established to honor all veterans who have served or who are now serving in the Armed Forces for the preservation of freedom throughout the world. A procedure has been established for ordering paver bricks for veterans. The cost is \$25 per brick, including the engraving. Order forms and the policy are available at the City of Troy's website www.troyohio.gov. Information can also be obtained by calling the Cemetery Superintendent at (937) 335-2710, or by emailing riverside.cemetery@troyohio.gov.

CITY CLIPS





TROY EMPLOYEE UPDATES

Thomas C. Funderburg was appointed as the Human Resources Director effective November 20, 2006. Thomas grew up in Troy and graduated from Troy High School in 1975. He obtained his BA from Villanova University. Thomas brings over 20 years of human resources experience to the position. **Mark Cundiff**, who had been handling the responsibilities of both Planning and Human Resources Director, has been named the Planning Director.

The Park Department welcomes **Michael Chamblin** as a Laborer. The Sewer Maintenance Division welcomes **Ken Crabtree** as a Laborer. The Miami Shores Golf Course welcomes **Michael Maniaci** as a Laborer. **Daryl Williams** has joined the Electrical Division as an Electrician.

Carol "Ed" Brumbaugh retired on August 21 from Hobart Arena after 42 years of employment as a temporary/seasonal employee. John Denney retired on September 30 as the Chief of the Fire Department with nearly 32 years of service. Arthur "Wayne" Crow will be retiring on December 15 from the Police Department with six years of service as the Parking Control Officer. Thank you, Ed, John and Wayne, for your many years of dedication and service to the citizens of Troy. Best wishes in your future endeavors.

GARAGE DEMOLITION PROGRAM

The Planning Department would like to remind citizens of Troy about the Garage Demolition Program. The Garage Demolition Program provides funds for those residents who wish to demolish a "condemnable" garage structure. Certain guidelines apply to the program. Please contact the Planning Department at (937) 339-9481 for more information or stop by their office in City Hall for an application.

SPECIAL TRASH COLLECTION

Reminder: The special trash collection day is now the second Tuesday of every month. This service is for the collection of items resulting from normal, routine replacement of household items. It is not intended for the pick-up of an entire household of furniture and appliances. The following items are representative of the special trash collection items: furniture, including lawn furniture; appliances/water heaters; carpeting/pads; mattresses/springs; lawn care items; outdoor play equipment; TV antennas; and spouting. The special trash collection does not include paper, cardboard, brush, construction materials, wood, car items, any item containing Freon, or anything placed in boxes, trash bags, or trash containers. Citizens must call the Central Service & Maintenance Facility at (937) 335-1914 to arrange for this pick-up. Requests for pick-up must be received by noon the Friday before the special trash collection date. Items must be placed at the street in the curb lawn. Items placed in the alley will not be collected.

DIRECTORY OF CITY OFFICIALS

Mayor Michael L. Beamish		
President of Council William F. Lohrer		
Council Members by Ward:		
1st Ward Thomas M. Kendall		
2nd Ward		
3rd Ward		
4th WardJarrod W. Harrah		
Council Members At-Large:		
Alan R. Clark		
Mark A. Douglas		
Shirley M. Saxton		
Director of Law		
Auditor		
Treasurer		
Interim Director of Public Service & Safety		
Arthur D. Haddad		
Clerk of Council and Administrative Assistant		
Sue G. Knight		
Public Works Director Steven D. Leffel		
Development Director James A. Dando, Jr.		
Planning Director Mark S. Cundiff		
Human Resources DirectorThomas C. Funderburg		
Recreation Director Kenneth E. Siler		
Fiscal Supervisor Dale R. Ridenour		
Acting Fire ChiefDavid W. Newnam		
Police Chief		
Park Superintendent Timothy J. Mercer		
Park Superintendent		

Information on how to contact City elected and appointed officials is available on the City of Troy website: www.troyohio.gov.

- TROY CITY PROGRAMMING - CHANNEL 9

Watch for the Mayor's Report and the City Council Update programs on Troy-Public Broadcasting, Channel 9.

Mayor's Report — Monday - 6:30 p.m.; Tuesday and Friday - 11:00 a.m.; Thursday - 9:00 p.m.; Sunday - 7:30 p.m.

City Council Update — Monday - 7:00 p.m.; Tuesday and Friday - 11:30 a.m.; Thursday - 9:30 p.m.; Sunday - 8:00 p.m.



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Attention Web Surfers: Have you visited the official website of the City of Troy?

If not, surf over to www.troyohio.gov and check us out. The site is full of useful information about the City as an organization, as well as the community.

The website changes regularly, so visit often to keep abreast of meeting dates, job openings and other useful information.

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